

# IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD

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**TO: ADMIN. & REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**FROM: CHARLIE SMITHSON, ETHICS BOARD DIRECTOR & COUNSEL**  
**DATE: JANUARY 25, 2006**  
**Re: FY07 BUDGET REQUEST**

This document is to clarify the FY07 budget request by the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board.

**BOARD JURISDICTION:**

1. Enforce the campaign laws in Iowa Code chapter 68A as applied to all state and local candidate and ballot issue elections in Iowa.
2. Enforce the ethics laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to the executive branch of state government.
3. Provide advice on the ethics laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to local governments.
4. Enforce the lobbying laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to executive branch lobbyists and executive branch lobbyist clients.
5. Receive reports from state agencies on all gifts, bequests, and grants received by the agencies and file a summary report with the legislature concerning same under Iowa Code section 8.7.

**BUDGET REQUEST:**

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| 1. FY06 Total Appropriation:       | <b>\$487,056</b> |
| 2. FY07 Board request:             | <b>\$497,056</b> |
| 4. FY07 Governor's Recommendation: | <b>\$497,056</b> |

The Board's requested budget increase is for the following items:

- A. \$5,000 for improvements to electronic filing systems that permit campaigns and executive branch lobbyists/clients to file disclosure reports via the Internet.
- B. \$3,600 for increased travel, supplies, printing, postage, and communication during this election cycle. Due to the number of new candidates as well as the elections for statewide office, the Board's associated costs will increase this cycle.
- C. \$1,400 to cover increases related to DAS utility services.